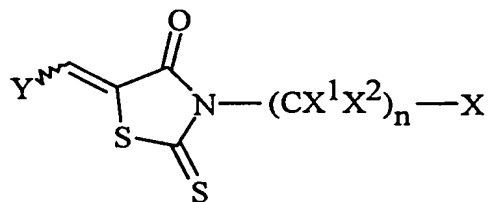


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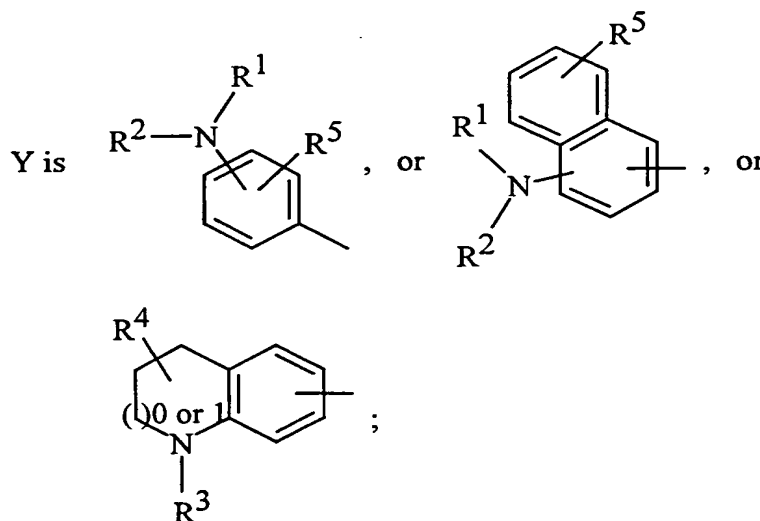
What is claimed is:

1. A compound having the Formula I:



I

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof,
wherein:



each n is independently 1 to 3 inclusive;

X¹ and X² are independently hydrogen or C₁-C₈ alkyl, or -(CH₂)ᵧ-Z;

y is 0 to 4 inclusive;

Z is hydrogen, C₁-C₈ alkyl, C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl, C₁-C₈ perfluoroalkyl,

C₂-C₈ alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted

naphthyl, -OH, -OC₁-C₈ alkyl, -SC₁-C₈ alkyl, -SO₃H, -CO₂H,

-CO₂C₁-C₈ alkyl,

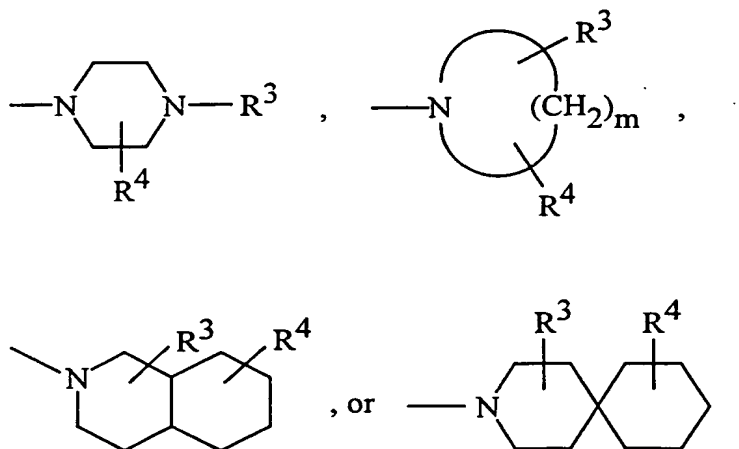
$\text{O}=\text{C}-\text{CHN}_2$, $\text{O}=\text{C}-\text{CNH}(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_8\text{alkyl})$, $\text{O}=\text{C}-\text{CN}(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_8\text{alkyl})_2$, -NH₂,

-NH(C₁-C₈alkyl),

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-N(C₁-C₈alkyl)₂, -NCC₁-C₈ alkyl, guanidinyl, thienyl, imidazolyl,
thiazolyl, or indolyl;

- 5 R¹ and R² are independently C₁-C₈alkyl or -(CH₂)_n-C₃-C₆cycloalkyl, -(CH₂)_n-phenyl, or R¹ and R² taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a cyclic structure selected from



10 where R³ and R⁴ independently are hydrogen, C₁-C₈ alkyl, -(CH₂)_n-phenyl, or -(CH₂)_n cycloalkyl;

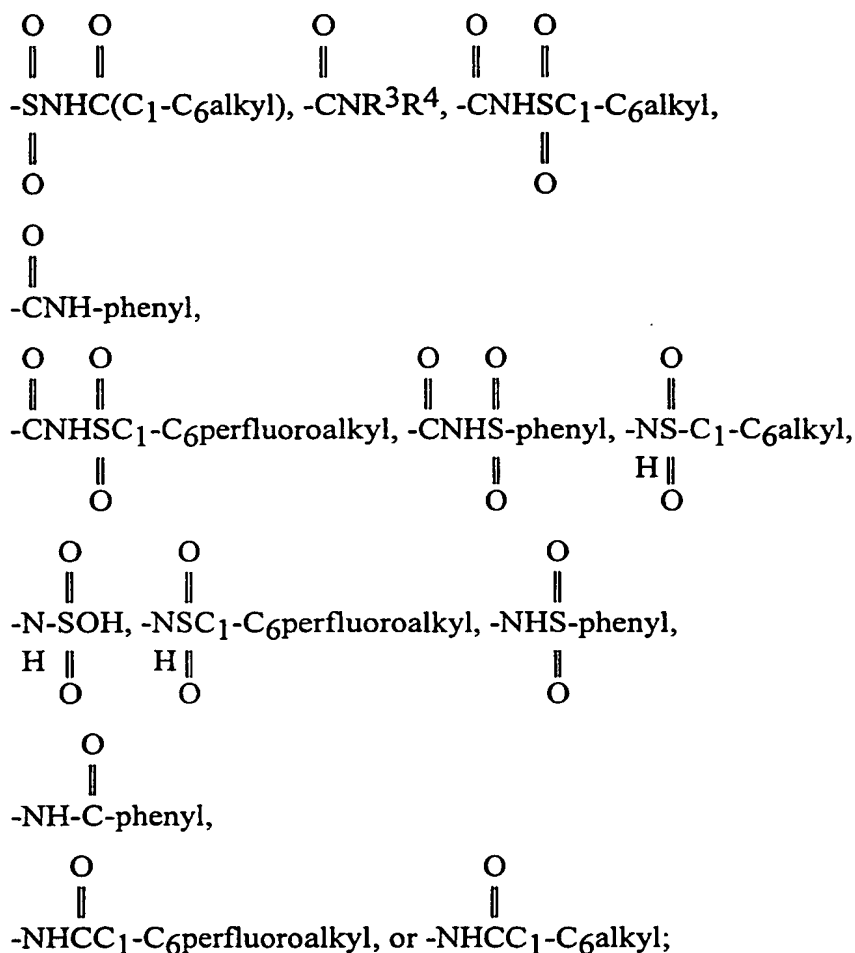
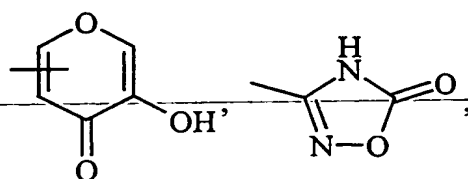
R⁵ is hydrogen, C₁-C₈ alkyl, halogen, or -CF₃;

each m is 2 to 8 inclusive;

15 X is $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ || \\ \text{---S---OH} \end{array}$, $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ || \\ \text{---S---NR}^3\text{R}^4 \end{array}$, $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ || \\ \text{---SNHC(C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{perfluoroalkyl)} \end{array}$, tetrazolyl,

20 $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ || \\ \text{---SNHC-phenyl} \end{array}$, $\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ || \\ \text{---SNH-phenyl} \end{array}$,

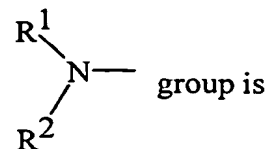
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wherein phenyl includes substituted phenyl.

2. A compound in accordance with Claim 1 wherein
R¹ is methyl, and R² is pentyl or hexyl.

3. A compound in accordance with Claim 1 wherein the



group is

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located at the para position on the phenyl ring.

4. The compounds:

(Z) 2-{5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid ;

5 (Z) 2-{5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid methylamide;

(Z) 2-{5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid trifluoroacetyl-amide;

(Z) 2-{5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-N-methyl-acetamide;

10 (Z) N-({5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-{5-[4-(Dipentylamino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-methanesulfonamide;

15 (Z) C,C,C-Trifluoro-N-({5-[4-(hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-{5-[4-(Dipentylamino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-C,C,C-trifluoro-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-(2-{5-[4-(hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-benzenesulfonamide;

20 (Z) N-(2-{5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethyl)-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-(2-{5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethyl)-benzenesulfonamide;

25 (Z) C,C,C-Trifluoro-N-(2-{5-[4-(hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethyl)-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) 2,2,2-Trifluoro-N-(2-{5-[4-(hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethyl)-acetamide;

30 (Z) N-(2-{5-[4-Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethyl)-acetamide;

(Z) {5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-methanesulfonic acid;

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(Z) 5-[4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-3-(1H-tetrazol-5-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) 5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-3-(1H-tetrazol-5-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

5 (Z) N-{{5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-acetyl}-C,C,C-trifluoro-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-{{5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-acetyl}-benzenesulfonamide;

10 (Z) 5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-3-(1H-tetrazol-5-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) N-{2-[5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-acetyl}-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-{2-[5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-acetyl}-benzenesulfonamide;

15 (Z) 5-[(4aS,8aR)-4-(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-3-(1H-tetrazol-5-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) N-(2-{5-[(4aS,8aR)-4-(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-benzenesulfonamide;

20 (Z) N-{2-[5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-acetyl}-4-fluoro-benzenesulfonamide;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamide;

25 (Z) N-{2-[5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-acetyl}-4-fluoro-benzenesulfonamide;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid benzoylamide;

(Z) 2-{5-[4-(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid benzoylamide;

30 (Z) 2-{5-[4-(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamide;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamide;

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(Z) 3-(5-Hydroxy-4-oxo-4H-pyran-2-ylmethyl)-5-[4-(octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) 5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-3-(5-hydroxy-4-oxo-4H-pyran-2-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

5 (Z) 3-(5-Hydroxy-4-oxo-4H-pyran-2-ylmethyl)-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) 5-[4[(4-Propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-3-(1H-tetrazol-5-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

10 (Z) N-(2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-benzenesulfonamide;

(Z) N-(2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-methanesulfonamide;

15 (Z) 4-Fluoro-N-(2-{5-[(4aS,8aR)-4-(octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-benzenesulfonamide;

(Z) 4-Fluoro-N-(2-{4-oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-benzenesulfonamide;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Hexyl-methyl-amino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamide;

20 (Z) N-({5-[4[(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) N-({5-[4[(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-C,C,C-trifluoro-methanesulfonamide;

25 (Z) N-(2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-acetyl)-C,C,C-trifluoro-methanesulfonamide;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid methylamide;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid methylamide;

30 (Z) 2-[5-(4-Hexyl-methyl-amino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid methylamide;

(Z) N-2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid methylamide;

(Z) 2-{5-[4-(octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}S-ethanesulfonic acid methylamide;

(Z) 2-{5-[4-(Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}S-ethanesulfonic acid trifluoroacetylamine;

5 (Z) N-2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid trifluoroacetylamine;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid trifluoroacetylamine;

10 (Z) 2-[5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid trifluoroacetylamine;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid benzoylamine;

(Z) 2-[5-(4-Hexyl-methyl-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid benzoylamine;

15 (Z) N-2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid benzoylamine;

(Z) N-2-{4-Oxo-5-[4-(4-propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl}-ethanesulfonic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamine;

20 (Z) 2-[5-(4-Hexyl-methyl-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-3-yl]-ethanesulfonic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamine;

(Z) [5-(4-Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene]-3-(5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]oxadiazol-3-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) [5-(4-Propyl-piperidin-1-yl)-benzylidene]-3-(5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]oxadiazol-3-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

25 (Z) [5-(4-Octahydro-isoquinolin-2-yl)-benzylidene]-3-(5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]oxadiazol-3-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one;

(Z) 5-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-3-(5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]oxadiazol-3-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one; or

30 (Z) 5-(4-Dibutylamino-benzylidene)-3-(5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-[1,2,4]oxadiazol-3-ylmethyl)-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-4-one.

5. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of Claim 1.

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6. A method of treating Alzheimer's disease, the method comprising administering to a patient having Alzheimer's disease a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1.
7. A method of inhibiting the aggregation of amyloid proteins to form amyloid deposits, the method comprising administering to a patient in need of inhibition of the aggregation of amyloid proteins an amyloid protein aggregation inhibiting amount of a compound of Claim 1.
8. A method of imaging amyloid deposits, the method comprising the steps of:
- a. introducing into a patient a detectable quantity of a labeled compound of Claim 1;
 - b. allowing sufficient time for the labeled compound to become associated with amyloid deposits; and
 - c. detecting the labeled compound associated with the amyloid deposits.
9. The method of Claim 8 wherein the patient has or is suspected to have Alzheimer's disease.
10. The method of Claim 8 wherein the labeled compound is a radiolabeled compound.
11. The method of Claim 8 wherein the labeled compound is detected using MRI.